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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7599

BILL NUMBER: HB 1930

DATE PREPARED: Feb 27, 2001

BILL AMENDED: Feb 26, 2001

SUBJECT: Academic Programs in State Institutions.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
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IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill has the following provisions:

(A) It requires that educational programs in certain state institutions (Department of Correction facilities and the Indiana Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home) be: (1) consistent with the state's academic standards for primary and secondary students; and (2) offered in a manner that allows a student who successfully completes the state's requirements for graduation to receive a diploma.

(B) It provides that the superintendents of the Indiana Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home, the Indiana School for the Blind, and the Indiana School for the Deaf may contract with a public or private entity to provide educational services under an academic and vocational education program.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) *Provision A:* The Department of Correction indicates that to comply with the change in academic standards, it may need to hire a curriculum consultant and more teachers in some juvenile facilities.

The Indiana Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home would not experience any increase in administrative expenses to meet the academic requirements of this bill. The Home is currently required to be accredited by the State in accordance with current law, so all education programs (including vocational education) leading to a high school diploma are currently to be conducted in accordance with Indiana Academic Standards.

Provision B: The Indiana Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home, the Indiana School for the Blind, and the Indiana School for the Deaf currently do not contract with private entities for educational services.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Department of Correction, Indiana Soldiers' and Sailors' Childrens' Home, Indiana School for the Deaf, and Indiana School for the Blind.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Department of Correction, Planning Division; Robert Marra, Department of Education; State Budget Agency.